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DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Memorandum re Examinations
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1. Departmental Examination Papers not for promotion purposes.

None of the question papers for the Departmental examinations will be supplied to schools for use therein as promotion examinations. It is in the interests of education that the teachers concerned assume full responsibility for all promotions.

2. Public School Graduation.

The Junior and Senior Public School Graduation Diploma examinations are intended to mark two grades in the completion of the Public School Course, in accordance with the competency of the school concerned. Pupils in attendance at High and Continuation Schools will not be permitted to write on these examinations.

3. Senior High School Entrance.

The Senior High School Entrance examination has been established to test the competency for the Middle School work of the pupils in attendance at a Public School or at a Continuation School in which there is no Middle School. Pupils in attendance at a High School or at a Continuation School in which there is a Middle School will not be permitted to write on this examination.

4. Model Entrance.

The Model School Entrance examination referred to in section 6, (1), (b), page 56, High School Regulations, is the examination by that name held in 1908 or any subsequent year. Only those pupils will be admitted to this examination in 1912 who will be eighteen years of age before the close of the current year, and who will pledge themselves, if successful, to attend a Model School for the ensuing session.

5. Lower School Examination.

All pupils intending to proceed to a Normal School or a Faculty of Education in order to prepare for an Ontario Teacher's certificate must pass

at the end of the Lower School Course, or later, the examination prescribed in section 6, page 56, High School Regulations, unless entitled to exemption therefrom under section 14, page 59.

The paper in Elementary Science for this examination will be based on the complete Lower School course in Botany, Zoology, Physics and Chemistry. No questions in Agriculture will be asked this year.

6. September Lower School Examination.

The September examination in the Lower School subjects will be continued for 1912 and 1913, for those candidates *only* who are *bona fide* applicants for admission to a Normal School for the ensuing session. No others will be admitted to this examination.

The paper in Elementary Science for this examination will be set entirely on the Course in Biology prescribed for the Lower School.

7. Arithmetic and Grammar not for Arts Matriculation.

Arts Matriculation does not now require an examination in any subject specially prescribed for the Lower School Course. Arithmetic and Grammar which appear on the Matriculation time-table are required for Matriculation into the Ontario College of Pharmacy.

8. Squared Paper for Mathematics.

In certain of the Middle and Upper School examinations in Mathematics the use of squared paper will be required. For the examination in 1912 and thereafter, this paper must be provided by the local school boards. The paper may be obtained through the local dealers at 10c. per package of 10 sheets or direct from the publishers, The Methodist Book & Publishing House, Toronto, or The Copp, Clark Co., Toronto.

9. Dates of Examinations.

Since all Departmental examinations, except those for Commercial and Art Specialists, are to be completed by June 30th (see note on page 55, High School Regulations), attention is directed to the earlier dates set for the making of application for these examinations. [See High School Regulations 15 and 18, (5), (d) and section 2, (1), page 55; also Public School Regulation 19, (7), (c) and (d).].

10. Fees.

Attention is also directed to the revised schedule of fees for the Departmental examinations. (See Public School Regulation 19, (8) and High School Regulations 18, (5), (b), and sections 15 and 16, page 59). The Matriculation examination fees will be as follows:—Pass Junior Matriculation, not more than 4 papers, $3.00, more than 4 papers, $8.00; Normal Entrance candidates taking additional Matriculation papers, $3.00 Matriculation fee in addition to the $5.00 Normal Entrance fee; Honour or Scholarship Matriculation, not more than 4 papers, $5.00, more than 4 papers, $10.00.